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Learning foreign coin
and a discussion on
The King of Spain
gold will be the main
features in the October
TNA News

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REMEMBER - the
of October is the
deadline for the No
vember issue

PRESIDENT'S

MESSAGE



This year, for the first time, TNA is sponsoring an annual award known as "Club Salute." Club officers—read your TNA News, page 40, July issue, for the few simple rules. The purpose of this award is to cause our people to become more involved in the organizational aspects of numismatics. For a club to win this award of recognition, total involvement will be essential as there are many of our clubs that have the will to win. To be a winner, the small club has the same opportunity as the large one. Work hard and follow the rules. WHO WILL BE OUR FIRST WIN-

NER?

Four gifts of money to the TNA Memorial Library have been reported so far this year. Thanks to the donors. These contributions are certainly appreciated and needed

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MEXICO'S MODERN 5-CENTAVOS

Honor La Donna Josefa Maria Ortiz De Dominguez

By CHRIS JOHNS, TNA #18

Houston, Texas

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Proponents of the women's lib movement will be pleased, no doubt, to note the honor done an outstanding Mexican patriot and heroine. Beginning in 1942, for the first time in Mexican history, a woman was honored by having her picture grace the country's legal tender 5 centavos.

The woman, Dona Josefa Ortiz de Spanish Colonial Governor of Mexico during the period when Mexicans began their revolt against the Spanish oppression.

Both Dona Josefa and her husband were in sympathy with the movement toward independence, but the time came, in 1810, when he had to act against the insurgents. Dona Josefa managed to notify Father Hidalgo, leader of the rebel forces, of the danger to their plans. Arrested and tried a number of times, she was imprisoned until June 17, 1817, when a new governor pardoned her. Poverty-stricken, she lived alone and forgotten until her death in 1829.

For years this heroic woman remained unremembered. Finally in 1894 Dona Josefa was honored by a belatedly grateful country.

The 5 centavo coin first bearing her portrait, facing right, was authorized by a presidential decree on December 28, 1942. Minting had actually started 10 days previously. The new 5 centavos was popularly named the "Josefita."

With a diameter of 25.5 mm, and a weight of 6.5 grams, the plain-edged coin had a composition of .950 copper, .010 tin and .040 zinc. Mintage figures between 1942 and 1946 (when striking was discontinued) to-

tal 202,339,129 pieces.

After a lapse in the minting of 5 centavos of five years, a new 5 centavos of a smaller size was authorized on December 29, 1949. The obverse eagle was of a hook-necked variety, and the reverse has a redesigned portrait of Dona Josefa facing right. The issue lasted only a year, being ended by a decree signed December 29, 1950. The coin bore the date of 1950, had a mintage of 5,700,000 pieces. Composed of .750 copper and .250 nickel, it is known as the "white Josefa." Diameter was 20.5 mm, the weight was 4 grams, and like the previous issue, the edge was plain.

In 1950, coinage of the first type was resumed, the only difference was in the alloy, which changed to .950 copper and .050 zinc. Again the edge was plain. Coinage continued from 1951 through 1955 with a total mintage of 189,794,000 pieces.

In 1955, provision was made for a new brass 5 centavos, with the same design almost identical to the "white Josefa" issue of 1950. The difference is that, in the new issue, the denomination is written out around the head and date and mint mark are to the right.

Although mintage was not supposed to begin until 1955, several specimens were minted bearing the date 1954. There are two varieties of this scarce 1954 with dot and without dot the dot being in the field behind Dona Josefa's head. Conflicting stories are heard often relating to the reason for the dot. There is no accurate count of the 1954 issue, but mintage from 1955 through 1959 totals 1,573,184,000. This coin, also with a plain edge, was compos-

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HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL SERIES

From The Treasury Department
Conclusion

When James Madison succeeded Jefferson in 1809, new medals had to be designed and struck. The task of ordering the medals fell to John Mason, who held the office of Superintendent of Indian Trade. He turned to a friend in Philadelphia, John Vaughan, to engage an artist and to oversee the production of the medals at the mint. Mason insisted that the hollow medals be replaced by solid ones, and the mint undertook to strike such medals. The Madison medals, like the Jefferson ones, came in three sizes, although the diameters—3, 2½, and 2 inches differed from those of the Jefferson medals. They were solid silver, and at the suggestion of Vaughan, the reverse had a slightly changed design. Vaughan objected to having both the wrists encuffed as they appeared on the Jefferson medals. This he said, did not indicate the diversity of the races who were joined in the handshake of friendship. He had the artist leave one of the arms bare, and this new design was used repeatedly until completely new designs were substituted for the reverse of the medals in the 1850's and later. Mason asked that the lettering on both sides of the medal be so arranged that a small hole may be made through the medal exactly over the head of the president (so as to suspend it erect when worn by the chiefs) without interfering with the letters. But for some unaccountable reason this wise advice was never heeded.

When it came time to have medals struck for President James Monroe both the man directing the work and the artist-engraver were new. Thom-

as L. McKenney had replaced John Mason as Superintendent of Indian Trade, and Moritz Furst was engaged in place of John Reich, who had engraved the Madison medals. The general form of the medals nevertheless, followed the set formula. Furst prepared satisfactory likenesses of Monroe on the three sizes of the medals, and the dies of the previous reverse were used again.

Furst was engaged, also, to make the medals of Presidents John Quincy Adams, Andrew Jackson and Martin Van Buren. These medals, like those that followed, were ordered by the head of the Indian Office (the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, after that office was created in 1832), who was the official responsible for the distribution of the medals to the chiefs. It was the custom to order 100 of each of the three sizes, although from time to time not all the medals were given out during the administration they represented. Rather than give the Indian chiefs medals of a previous administration, with the portrait of a Great White Father who was no longer in office, medals left over at the end of a president's tenure were regularly melted down to help provide the silver needed for the new medals.

As the series of medals progressed, they began to be considered as "Presidential Medals," quite apart from their original purpose as Indian peace medals. Franklin Pease, who became chief coiner at the mint in 1839, believed that the mint should be the depository of dies of all national medals, and he urged that medals missing from the presidential series, for example, one for

John Adams) be supplied. He was supported by Robert M. Patterson, director of the mint, who in 1841 suggested making a medal of President William Henry Harrison, whose term had been too short to permit making Indian medals bearing his portrait. Nothing came of the proposals at the time, however.

When it came time to prepare medals for President John Tyler, technical advances had taken some of the difficulties out of medal making. The invention in France of a "portrait lathe," a mechanical means of cutting dies did away with the need for the special engraver. A medallion of the president could now be modelled in wax, with full possibilities for making corrections until a suitable likeness was obtained. From this, by one of an intermediate plaster cast, a casting in line iron was made of the medallion. With the use of the steam-powered lathe, reduced facsimiles were turned out in steel, and the lettering was then stamped in.

The new machine at the mint was used for making the dies of the President John Tyler Indian peace medal from a medallion modeled by Ferdinand Pettrich, the President James K. Polk medal from a medal made by the artist John Gadsby Chapman, and the President Zachary Taylor medal from a medallion sculptured by Henry Kirke Brown. The portrait lathe was adjusted to make the various sizes of the dies from the same model, so that all three sizes of these medals are identical and do not show the variations that occurred in the earlier medals, when the dies were cut individually by hand.

The next medals were again made from dies cut by engravers, who signed contracts with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to engrave

the dies and strike the medals for presentation to the Indians. The two young New York artists who were engaged were Salathiel Ellis and Joseph Willson. Ellis engraved the dies for the portraits of Presidents Millard Fillmore, Franklin Pierce, James Buchanan and Abraham Lincoln, while Willson made the reverses for the medals. The old peace and friendship design which had been used for so many years on the reverse of the medals was now laid aside, and scenes depicting the adoption of civilization were used instead. One such design was used on the reverse of the Fillmore and Pierce medals, another on the Buchanan and Lincoln Indian peace medals. For these medals only the large and medium size were made; the small size was discontinued.

Copies of the medals designed for presentation to the Indians from Jefferson to Buchanan are issued by the mint in bronze as part of the presidential series, uniformly now in the 3-inch size, although in past times the smaller sizes as well were reproduced. With President Buchanan, however, the presidential series begins to diverge from the Indian peace medal series. The Buchanan medal uses the reverse from the Fillmore and Pierce medals, instead of the one designed for it by Willson, and the Lincoln medal in the mint presidential series is an inaugural medal, not the one designed for presentation to the Indian chiefs.

The Indian peace medal for President Andrew Johnson's administration was engraved by Anthony Paquet. He had begun to make the medal for presentation to Indians during Lincoln's second administration and changed the obverse to show the bust of Johnson after Lincoln's assassination. The reverse was a completely new design, one suggested by

The Commission on Indian Affairs to show the change from Indian culture to white civilization. This medal became part of the presidential series.

Although the presidential series for presidents following Andrew Johnson are not those made for the Indian, special peace medals continued to be produced for each administration up to and including that of President Benjamin Harrison. That for President Ulysses S. Grant was made by Paquet and was struck in only one size, 2½ inches in diameter. Those for Presidents Rutherford B. Hayes, James A. Garfield, Chester A. Arthur and Grover Cleveland were oval medals measuring 3 by 2½ inches and on the reverse showed an Indian and a white man in a rural scene. They were designed by the engravers in the mint, Charles E. Barber and George T. Morgan. For Benjamin Harrison, both an oval and a round Indian peace medal were made. Only small numbers of these later medals were struck in silver, for the Indian tribes were no longer treated as sovereign nations, and the importance of the chiefs in dealings with the U.S. Government had declined. Bronze copies of all these Indian medals are available in the mint's miscellaneous series.

Many persons today who collect these medals do not realize that the medals are relics of our Indian policy and that the early medals were designed and produced exclusively to provide suitable symbols of peace and friendship for the Indian chiefs. But in a sense, Thomas L. McKenney's prophecy has come true. The medals were indeed designed not for the Indians only, but for posterity.

MEXICO'S MODERN —

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ed of .850 copper and 150 zinc, measured 20.5 mm in diameter and weighed 4 grams.

A presidential decree dated December 30, 1969 changed the design on all coins up to the 5 pesos and caused the brass 5 centavos to be reduced in size. The design was changed, in a minor way on the reverse, causing the date and mint mark to be added around the head as the denomination is placed. A new design of a hook-necked eagle graces the obverse. Diameter was reduced to 18 mm, weight is 2.75 grams. The composition remains the same .850 copper and 150 zinc, and the edge is plain.

Mintage figures are not available for 1971 and 1972 but 163,368,000 pieces were struck the first year of issue, 1970.

U.S. Half Cents

Half cents were coined intermittently from 1793 through 1857. This series can be considered the most underrated and undervalued of all U.S. coins. In all the years that they were struck, less than eight million were made. During the 65-year period that half cents were struck, there were five basic design changes.



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By BRAD MILLS.
Dallas Morning News

Estates containing a large number of coins frequently seek information on (1) how to value the coins, (2) an effective method of disposition, (3) possible retention for a better market and (4) likelihood of continued interest of certain heirs.



Brad Mills

Where the executor and principal beneficiaries have no knowledge of the hobby, it is particularly difficult to reach common ground with prospective purchasers. This can be noticeably present in either of two cases—where the buyer hopes to find a bargain or the executor is overzealous on behalf of the estate. But you may be sure there is caution on both sides.

Attorneys, bankers, executors and trustees often find themselves in the midst of tedious tasks requiring extensive numismatic knowledge they do not possess, not to mention the caution urged on them by the various interested parties. In a large number of estates the coins lie for years because of the chore involved in their disposal.

Heirs often appear in no hurry to sell valuable coins, and especially so where they have advanced sharply in value since their acquisition. It is not unusual for executors to seek cram courses designed to furnish quick answers to values. Unfortunately these novices are not familiar with "condition to value" in a normal appraisal effort, a fact

that may be a bad stumbling block to both seller and buyer.

Many of the large coin collections held in bank boxes and private safes have been accumulated with limited cataloging and cost data. Wives are frequently surprised to find their husbands had put away so many coins, at times on the "sly" to minimize inventory figures shown around the house. In such a case a good accounting inside the box is a necessity. However, the collector who has used high cost figures to protect his eventual estate may have given his heirs a false sense of value on the high side.

Perhaps it would be more pleasant to talk about the collector who places his coins on the market on a voluntary basis or for financial reasons. This column receives many requests from owners who do not seem familiar with effective selling procedures. The whole process becomes a kind of sparring match, with the seller exploring the various market trends. A principal barrier is the desire to many owners to get full retail value. The spread between the so-called buying prices may vary from perhaps 15 per cent for gold to 50 per cent for the slow moving items.

Sellers with limited numismatic knowledge would learn that prices realized will depend on (1) quality and condition, (2) popularity of the issues and (3) the attitude of the owners. The U.S. issues usually are in greatest demand since most collectors in this country strike with our own money. The seller is at a disadvantage only when he has collected items at excessive prices or has favored dull issues with limited

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NEWS ROUNDUP – A.N.A.

By NORMA MATHER
Corpus Christi, Texas
A.N.A. Representative

It's September and we are getting into the active swing of things again. We trust that you had a good summer, an enjoyable vacation and rewarding numismatic experience in addition to your collection, your knowledge, your acquaintances. Frankly, I don't know where the summer has gone—accomplishments have been far short of hopes but I've stayed busy.



Norma Mather

Some clubs have been inactive during the summer; attendance usually drops. As we go into Fall activity I encourage special consideration of the interests of juniors and new collectors, less sophisticated programs than we are prone to present generally. If you are at a loss as to how to set up a program for young folks, ANA Governor and Young Numismatist Chairman, Kenneth L. Hallerbach Jr., 1141 West Lexington Ave., Fort Wayne, Indiana 46807, solicits your inquiry. ANA youth chairman, Mary Jane Whyborn, can give you good help, too. Of course, the first step is to have a youth chairman in your club. This doesn't have to be a "walking numismatic encyclopedia," just someone who loves the hobby and young folks; someone willing to give a bit of himself or herself. And here let me hasten to say that it is gratifying to note from newsletters I receive and club news items in this publication

that some clubs in the state are really getting after this phase of activity.



Several Texans were listed as enrollees in the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs in July. We are hoping to hear from them further. ANA Executive Director Ed Rochette, announces that next summer's seminar will be expanded to at least four courses—counterfeit detection, grading, ancient coins and coin photography. He says that enrollment, which has grown each year, will be limited to 200 for 1973—some have already paid advance registration. How 'bout you? Think ahead!



As this is written we are looking forward to the 81st ANA convention in New Orleans. It will be interesting to see what effect the revised exhibit rules will have. What will be the going items? How about those Carson City dollars? Will the board do anything more definite about National Coin Week? Will you be there? I hope so!



Every individual has a place to fill in the world, and is important in some respect, whether he chooses to be so or not.

It is to the credit of human nature, that, except where it selfishness is brought into play, it loves more readily than it hates.

—N. Hawthorne

There are two times in a man's life when he should not speculate: when he can't afford it and when he can.

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Gobrecht silver dollars of 1836-1839 are considered to be patterns and not regular issues.

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Most of the shows are sponsored by TNA coin clubs and they have worked hard to secure reputable dealers and interesting exhibits to make your visit worthwhile. If you can prepare an exhibit, make arrangements to show it. Not only will you be surprised at how much more you will enjoy the show by sharing a part of your collection, but your support will help to make the show a success. Exhibits are an essential part of a good coin show. Your at-

tendance helps, too!

The month will end with the Austin Coin Club's Money Mart where we usually have a meeting of the TNA Board of Officers. If you have any ideas pertaining to exhibits, TNA News, youth activities, or library activities which may require discussion or action by other members of the board, please drop me a line and tell me about it.

September is also the month that attendance at your club meetings should begin to pick up. One way to help that along is to contact our TNA Librarian, Wally Gilmore, and obtain a set of numismatic slides or film to show at some of your meetings. It's an inexpensive way to study and learn more about some of those coins that you seldom get to see, and Wally is anxiously waiting to serve you.



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ESTATES CAN CAUSE —

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ed potential. The casual collector who has acquired mostly low premium and marginal coins from circulation should not expect to get full retail prices. But it still is a good hobby.

Washington 25c

The first year of issue of the Washington quarter can be considered commemorative, but Congress did not approve it as such. Plan had been made in advance for its introduction and it was hoped that the first distribution could take place on February 22, 1932, the 100th anniversary of the birth of George Washington. It is comparable to the Lincoln one cent piece, which was initially struck to honor the 100th anniversary of his birth in 1908. Though it was never declared commemorative.



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BALANCE ON HAND AS OF JULY 31, 1972 \$4,060.68

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NOTE The following funds cannot be used for anything except the purposes for which they are ear-marked. The above balance includes these funds except as noted below.

TNA Library Fund as of June 30, 1972 \$ 156.21

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Balance as of July 31, 1972 \$ 176.21

TNA News Continuance Fund Certificate of Deposit \$2,000.00

(This amount is not shown in the balance above.)

ANA Visitor

An Associated Press wirephoto which recently appeared in the San Antonio Express showed Bryan Steger of Lubbock glancing at coin displays at the August ANA convention held in New Orleans.

The 16 year old Steger is a member of the South Plains Coin Club of Lubbock.

EVENTS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 9-10

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB, annual show, Town House Motor Hotel Write Club, Box 87, San Angelo 76901.



SEPTEMBER 9-10

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB, 13th annual show, Red Carpet Inn, Bourse: Carl Heartfield, 5030 Stardust Dr., Beaumont 77706.



SEPTEMBER 16-17

ODESSA COIN CLUB annual show, Inn of the Golden West, Write Club, Box 2009, Odessa 79760.



SEPTEMBER 17

BEEVILLE COIN CLUB, 5th annual show, Bee County College Student Center, Write: Charles T. Galoway, Box 252, Beeville 78102.



SEPTEMBER 23-24

NOLAN COUNTY COIN CLUB WILDCAT SHOW, Sweetwater, Write Club, Box 1025, Sweetwater 79556.



SEPTEMBER 23-24

MIDWEST CITY COIN & STAMP CLUB, annual show, Ramada Inn, Oklahoma City, Okla. Write: Cecil W. Morris Jr., Box 10983, Midwest City, Okla. 73110.



SEPTEMBER 24

PORT ISABEL COIN CLUB, annual show, Sea Island Motel, Don Pruitt, gen. chairman, Box 591, Port Isabel, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1

AUSTIN COIN CLUB annual Money Mart, Stephen F. Austin Hotel, Write Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767.

OCTOBER 7-8

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB, annual coin show, Green Oaks Inn, R. E. Culbertson & R. E. Slocum, chairmen, 1601 Wagoner Bldg., Fort Worth 76102.



OCTOBER 21

GALVESTON COUNTY COIN CLUB "Country Market", Nessler Civic Center, Texas City, Write: Claude Ressler, Box 2331, Texas City 77590.



OCTOBER 21-22

LIBERTY COIN CLUB, annual show, Memorial Coliseum, Corpus Christi, Contact Club, Box 7001, Corpus Christi 78415.



OCTOBER 28-29

AMARILLO COIN CLUB, Fall show, Villa Inn, Tropic Room, Write: Howard Stoltenberg, 4917 Oregon, Amarillo 79109.



DECEMBER 2-3

PASADENA COIN CLUB, 12th annual show, Bourse: George Morton, 2958 Dragonwick, Houston 77045.



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JANUARY 4-7

FLORIDA UNITED NUMISMATISTS, INC., 18th convention, Dupont Plaza Hotel, Miami, Fla. Write: T. E. Medules, Box 7236, Daytona Beach, Fla.



MARCH 24-25

SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB, Lubbock, annual show. Details later.



MARCH 30, 31-APRIL 1

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN., 15th convention, Convention Center, Fort Worth, Write: Col. Raymond Darrah, 3813 Winslow Dr., Ft. Worth 76109

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DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT ONE:

Brad Mills, columnist for the Dallas Morning News, talked to 79 members of the Fort Worth Coin Club at the July meeting. At the close there was a general discussion of the future of coins. Mills was given a standing ovation after the talk.



R. W. Darrah
Governor

Committee reports were made on the club's annual show to be held on October 7-8 at the Green Oaks Inn. A watermelon "festival" was

planned for August —Col. R. W. Darrah, Gov., Dist. 1.



Joe Smith, one of the young members of the Mineral Wells Coin Club, gave a report on the recent ANA Seminar he attended at Colorado Springs, Colo., at one of the July meetings of the club. His participation was made possible by Fred Brooks of Corsicana and Chester Krause, publisher of Numismatic News in Iola, Wisc.

It was reported that a donation had been made to the Mineral Wells Lions Club. The club meets twice a month at the Crazy Water Hotel. —Mrs. William Rust, Reporter.



DISTRICT TWO:

A variety of topics were discussed at the July meeting of Odessa Coin Club held at Permian Bank & Trust with 43 present.

Dennis Parker talked on the Philippine Islands. Ashley Lawson spoke on the coin market and gold coins; and Fred Stirman discussed counterfeit coins and types.

Mike Panther was auctioneer. The club also planned a coin swap. —H. R. Peppard, Gov., Dist. 2.



H. R. Peppard
Governor



AWARD—John B. Bowie, left, recently received a TNA Achievement Award for a program presented by him for members of the Mineral Wells Coin Club. Making the presentation is Lee R. Waltman, club president.

DISTRICT THREE:

Forty members and guests were present for the July meeting of the San Angelo Coin Club held at the Town House Motor Hotel.

The program was presented by Dick Swindoll on U.S. Mints. He told of the mint history and named some of the rare coins that have come from their production. A short program on coin grading was given by Fred Clark, using the Franklin half dollar as his subject and showing points to check on grades from good to extra fine.

The junior members of the club met before the regular meeting with 13 attending, assisted by Morris Isabel. The program was presented by Steven Miller. Sponsor for the August meeting was to be Bob Neely with James Simmons assisting. Janet Miller was to give the program.

Members were furthering plans for the annual coin show to be held September 9-10 at the Town House. —Club Bulletin.



Buz Sawyer
Governor

to bring numismatic items to trade or sell.

Members meet at the T.P. & L. Center in Waco. —J. P. Jones, Sec.

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The TNA Memorial Library, through its slide section, furnished the program for the July meeting of the Austin Coin Club. E. M. Rice was in charge and the showing was of U.S. currency. Twenty-three members and guests were present.



Ray Kirkpatrick
Governor

Announcement was made that the Franklin Mint will bring its medal exhibit and educational film for presentation during the annual coin show September 30-October 1 to be held at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel. The club asked that anyone wanting to exhibit at the show of "The Beautiful Silver Awards" to write Box 1225, Austin 78767 for an application. —Lyman Bartee, Sec.

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DISTRICT FIVE:

The Board of Governors of Dallas Coin Club, meeting at the Baker Hotel, decided to devote the July meeting to a comprehensive discussion of the "Numismatic Center" concept and feasibility of establishing such an activity.

President Bob Hewgley opened discussion on the Center and explained that the club could not support such an organization, but that club members could become members of such an organization and support it as individuals. He called on Jack Whitehurst to answer questions.

Whitehurst read the purposes of the existing SMU Philatelic Center —after having suggested that by

Fred Clark of San Angelo had charge of the program at the July meeting of Nolan County Coin Club of Sweetwater. Twenty-four attended the session. Clark spoke on the grading of the Franklin half dollar. He illustrated with drawings of the various grades.

The club met at the Texas Bank. —David Williams, Sec.

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DISTRICT FOUR:

The July and August meetings of Waco Coin Club were designated as Trade Night with members allowed

substituting numismatics for philatelies would indicate the purposes for which a similar numismatic center might be organized. The organization would be to promote the hobby of numismatics, to emphasize the educational values of numismatology, to advance numismatology through organized plans of study and to make the benefits of this research available to all persons on a non-profit basis. He announced that there would be annual meetings and the dues would be \$10 per year which would be tax deductible.

Whitehurst recommended that a numismatic center be established as a separate organization rather than attempting to establish a combination Philatelic-Numismatic Center. He explained that a combination center would probably result in competition for most favorable treatment (budget-facilities), which could lead

to internal friction. Also, he recommended inclusion of all "currently interesting numismatic items," including medals, badges, etc. By a show of hands, the club membership indicated unanimous interest.—LCdr. C. C. Andrews, Sec.

DISTRICT SIX:

Members of the La Marque Coin Club enjoyed a covered dish supper at the July meeting. Games were played afterwards.

At the August 4 meeting, the program was given by Carl Nessler. He talked on "F.A.O." coins and showed his collection. The coins have been issued



Charlotte Nichols
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ed by 35 countries to date and the proceeds are used to feed the poor in other nations. The club presented him with a 1972 TNA medal and certificate in appreciation.

Tip of the month was given by Ruby Threlkeld on the 1972P double die Lincoln cents and told the members to check their rolls.

Mrs. Eleanor Lehmann reported that she had been successful in selling the hand-note stationery for the club. Money for 67 boxes had been turned in by the members. Orders are still being received for the wooden nickels issued by the club.—Ruby Threlkeld, Sec.



A covered dish supper and games party was held in July by members of Galveston County Coin Club of Texas City.

Members were working on plans for the Country Market to be held

October 21 at the Nessler Civic Center.—Ruby Threlkeld, Reporter.



DISTRICT SEVEN:

Members of the Alamo Coin Club of San Antonio met in July for the first time at a new location—KSAT-TV at 1408 N. St. Mary's St.

Bob Kroecker presented a slide set "Odd Shaped Coins of the 20th Century" received from the TNA Memorial Library.

Other programs planned for future meetings included "The Story of Wooden Money" by Ray Whyborn, Dutch Auction and a joint meeting with the Gateway Coin Club of San Antonio.—John M. Holds, Reporter.



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DISTRICT EIGHT:

Quiz programs dominated the meetings recently for members of the **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi.

Jeff Thrasher and Cal Lorfing were in charge. In line with the theme of the programs, Ralph Watters displayed a 1947 "Red Book" he purchased at a "Flea Market" from which the quizzes were taken. It was announced that Ross Barrera would be the new program chairman replacing Thrasher who was moving to Houston.

It was also announced that the **Corpus Christi Coin Club** would resume meetings in September after a Summer recession.—**Club Bulletin**.



Helen Floerke
Governor

DISTRICT NINE:

A slide set furnished by the **TNA Memorial Library** was shown by D. O. Joplin and narrated by Larry Sanderson for the 27 members attending the July meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield. A **TNA Certificate of Achievement** was presented to Sanderson.



D. O. Joplin
Governor

Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Hollingsworth were honored with gifts for providing refreshments during the year. Mrs. Poller was appointed to act as historian.—**D. O. Joplin, Gov., Dist 9**



Sixteen members attended the July meeting of **South Plains Coin Club**



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of Laabok at Garden & Art Center. Don Henderson and Jim Hall were named as co-chairmen for the annual show.

A slide set from the TNA Memorial Library was shown—D. O. Joplin, Gov., Dist. 9.

Levee and Coin Club met in July at the Chamber of Commerce building and enjoyed a slide set furnished by the TNA Memorial Library. Ten attended the meeting. E. L. Pitzer was given a TNA Achievement award for narrating the slide set projected by D. O. Joplin.

It was announced that the 1973 Red Books ordered by the club were ready for sale as a fund raising project—D. O. Joplin, Gov., Dist. 9.

DISTRICT THIRTEEN:

A talk by Larry Degenhart of Shepard AFB was given at the July meeting of the Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club. Degenhart talked on the coins of Maria Theresa minted from 1740 to 1780. He displayed his collection of 180 coins representing 42 types. In all, 50 types were minted. The members then had a round table discussion of the coin.

Thirty-eight attended the meeting and heard reports by Roger Paulk, M. L. Goolsby and W. C. Williams. District 13 governor Rev. E. S. Poore, president, conducted the meeting—Mrs. G. M. Howard, Publicity.

DISTRICT FIFTEEN:

Joe O'Neal, president of the Port Arthur Coin Club, was reported as being ill so the July meeting was

conducted by Richard Krummel, vice-president. L. R. Root acted as secretary due to the absence of Betty Krummel. Members discussed a membership drive to begin in January, 1973.

Krummel gave a program on "How the Silver Dollar Started," illustrated with slides.

The meeting was held at M & R Coin Shop with 20 present—Shirley Williams, Reporter.

A progress report on show plans for the Beaumont Coin Club was given by Jerry Williams, general chairman. The 13th annual show will be held September 9-10 at the Red Carpet Inn.

Recently four amendments to the constitution were brought before the membership and include: Lowering the membership age; Life membership for regular members; To have a Sargeant at Arms; and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States to be recited at each meeting. The amendments are to be voted on at the September meeting.

Joe Bozada of Lake Charles, La., was the guest speaker for the evening and gave a program on "Minor Errors." He also displayed his collection—Shirley Williams, Reporter.

Capitol Pictured

The 20-dollar gold piece minted from 1907 to 1933 shows the Capitol in small size in the lower left hand corner on the obverse side of the coin. Its position helps create the illusion that Miss Liberty with torch in hand, is floating above the nation's Capitol as a guardian angel.



Jerry Williams
Governor



W. C. Williams
Governor

WHEN & WHERE?

Many requests have been received for a listing on Texas coin clubs as to when and where they meet. Many of our members travel a great deal and plans could include a visit to a coin club if they had the proper information. We will list different clubs each month. If your club welcomes visitors, let us know when and where the meetings are held.



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Special Exhibits '73

Col. Raymond Darrah, general chairman of the 15th convention of the Texas Numismatic Assn., to be held in Fort Worth, has announced that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing of Washington, D. C., will provide a special exhibit for the Spring event. Also to be on display will be the rare gold Stella set and an 1804 silver dollar.

The convention will be held in Fort Worth at the Tarrant County Convention Center on March 30, 31 and April 1, 1973.

A dinner meeting was held recently for committee members to further plans for the convention.



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